

(Proposed Species II encompasses the existing Species VII, VIII, XI, and XIII.)

- Species III: discloses firing cells, a fire line, and an address generator. (Proposed Species III is the same as the existing Species III which has been elected herein. Claims 23-45 are readable on both the existing and proposed Species III.)
- Species IV: discloses fluid ejecting means, receiving a control signal, and responding to the control signal to prevent or disable activation of the fluid ejecting means. (Proposed Species IV encompasses the existing Species IX, X, XII, and XIV.)
- Species V: discloses one or more conductive lines, a signal generator, and a plurality of resistors. (Proposed Species V encompasses the existing Species II and VI.)

Applicants would be satisfied with the definition of species proposed above, and therefore respectfully request that the Office modify the election of species requirement in accordance with the proposed species defined above.

REMARKS

Applicants believe that all elected claims presently on file in the subject application are in condition for immediate allowance, and such action is respectfully requested. If it is felt for any reason that direct communication with Applicant's attorney would serve to advance prosecution of this case to finality, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned Robert C. Sismilich, Esq. at the below-listed telephone number.

**AUTHORIZATION TO PAY AND PETITION
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Respectfully submitted,



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